## Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Internet Links



# How you can make a difference through what you purchase



#### What are environmentally preferable products and services?

Environmentally preferable products and services are defined as those which "have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared to other products and services that serve the same purpose. This comparison may consider raw materials acquisition, production, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, reuse, operation, maintenance or disposal of the product or service. "(Executive Order 13101, Section 201)

#### Household Goods

- Buy Green www.buygreen.com
- Choose Green Reports www.greenseal.org/recommendations.htm
- Co-op America's Green Pages www.greenpages.org
- Eco-label www.eco-label.org
- Eco Mall www.ecomall.com
- Green Home www.greenhome.com
- Green Marketplace www.greenmarketplace.com
- Mercury In Your Home—
  www.mercuryinschools.uwex.edu/community/mercuryinhome.pdf

### Home Office and Processed Chlorine Free Paper Products

- Chlorine Free Products Association www.chlorinefreeproducts.org
- Green Disk—www.greendisk.com

Energy Star Program — www.energystar.gov

Center for a New American Dream - www.newamericandream.org

NE Waste Management Officials' Association—www.newmoa.org

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